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NEWS FROM THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (SAMHSA)

SAMHSA LAUNCHES NEW WEB PAGE FOR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES

HOSTS FORUM ON MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICE NEEDS FOR VETERANS

A new section of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Web site at <http://www.samhsa.gov> has been launched for veterans and their families. The Web site provides critical information on prevention, treatment and recovery support for mental and substance use disorders.

Publications, fact sheets, and links to relevant agencies are provided along with information on SAMHSA-funded programs, agency activities, and training and technical assistance opportunities. Individuals seeking substance use and mental health services can easily find information about local programs by using SAMHSA's treatment facility locator.

Also today, SAMHSA convened a meeting with the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Department of Defense and veterans service organizations to better understand the needs and to identify ways local community-based substance abuse and mental health service organizations can best be prepared to assist veterans and their families. The discussion will help inform the development of guidance materials for states, local communities, and providers to ensure a coordinated approach to providing mental health and substance use services.

For more information, please visit Resources for Returning Veterans and Their Families at <http://www.samhsa.gov/vets/>.

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